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2024730-7031453001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Dean A. Schaefer, et al.

Serial No.: 10/664,524

Filed: September 16, 2003

For: **TUMOR ABLATION NEEDLE
WITH INDEPENDENTLY
ACTIVATED AND
INDEPENDENTLY TRAVERSING
TINES**

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) **Group Art Unit: 3739**

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) **Examiner: Michael F. Peffley**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Amendment and Response (9 pages) to Office Action, mailed May 17, 2005, for the above-identified application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-2518, Docket No. 28-7031453001.

DATE: August 17, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

By: _____

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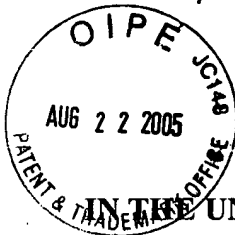
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated May 17, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

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